

senior class president from the Admiral Farragut Academy in Florida. He then attended the Naval Academy where he played golf and received a Bachelor of Science degree.

Upon graduation in June 1957, Charlie was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force. He served three years in Germany as a fighter interceptor pilot and logged over 4,000 hours of flying time. He also attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) where he received a Master of Science degree in aeronautics and astronautics.

In April 1966, Charlie became one of 19 astronauts selected by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). He went on to serve five different Apollo missions to the moon. In addition to serving as a backup lunar module pilot for *Apollo 13* and *Apollo 17*, Charlie served as the Capsule Communicator for *Apollo 11*, the first landing on the moon. He also served as the lunar module pilot on *Apollo 16*, which was the first scientific expedition to inspect, survey, and sample materials from in the Descartes region. During this mission, Charlie became the tenth and youngest person to walk on the moon. Charlie ultimately logged over 265 hours in space. He retired from NASA in December 1975 and went on to enter the United States Air Force Reserves.

After thousands of hours training to go to the moon and finally setting foot on it, Charlie came back to earth with a new goal. With a renewed focus on his family and faith, Charlie became a committed Christian in April of 1978. Shortly after, Charlie and his wife, Doty, started the Duke Ministry for Christ.

Charlie also became a successful businessman. He owned a thriving Coors Beer distributorship in Texas and later pursued real estate ventures. His subsequent business ventures include serving as the President of Orbit Corporations, working as a consultant for Lockheed Martin, serving as chairman of the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation, and much more.

Charlie has exhibited determination, courage, and tenacity throughout his life. He has exceeded expectations in public service, highlighted by his receipt of numerous honors and accolades. For example, Charlie was named South Carolina Man of the Year and was inducted into the South Carolina Hall of Fame in 1973. He has also received numerous honorary degrees, including an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy from both the University of South Carolina and Clemson University. Charlie was also inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame in 1997.

On behalf of the 5th District of South Carolina, it is my most sincere pleasure to recognize Charlie for his extraordinary career. Charlie is a living legend and has made our state and Nation proud. I thank Charlie for his exceptional service.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANDREW S. CLYDE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Mr. CLYDE. Madam Speaker, I was illegally detained at the pointless metal detectors leading to the House Floor.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 127, H.R. 7314.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF
PAYTON HILDEBRAND ON HIS
OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO AT-
TEND THE UNITED STATES AIR
FORCE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Mr. LATTA. Madam Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Payton Hildebrand of Findlay, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Payton's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2026. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Payton brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2026. While attending Findlay High School in Findlay, Ohio, Payton participated in Student Leadership Team, Junior Scholars, and was a member of Career and Tech National Honor Society. Throughout high school, Payton was involved with soccer as well as travel team soccer, earning his varsity letter through Findlay High School's team. I am confident that Payton will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Air Force Academy.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Payton Hildebrand on his offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Payton will excel during his career at the Air Force Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

HON. AL GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamations regarding Holocaust Remembrance Day:

Joint Resolution Designating April 28 and 29 of 1979 as "Days of Remembrance of Victims of the Holocaust". Whereas six million Jews and millions of other people were murdered in concentration camps as part of a program of extermination carried out by the Nazi party during World War II; Whereas the people of the United States should recognize that all acts of bigotry are rooted in the cruelty of spirit and the callousness that led the Nazis to commit atrocities against millions of people, and should dedicate themselves to the principle of human equality; Whereas the people of the United States should recognize that tyranny creates the political atmosphere in which bigotry flourishes, and should

be vigilant to detect, and ready to resist, the tyrannical exercise of power; Whereas on April 28 and 29 of 1945 the Armed Forces of the United States liberated the surviving victims of Nazi internment in the concentration camp in Dachau, Germany, and revealed to the world evidence of a tragic human holocaust that must never be forgotten; and Whereas the Nazi concentration camp in Dachau, Germany, is not only a shocking symbol of Nazi brutality and destruction, but also a symbol of the danger inherent in tyranny, the pernicious quality of bigotry, and the human capacity to be cruel: Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That April 28 and 29 of 1979 are designated as "Days of Remembrance of Victims of the Holocaust", and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such days with appropriate ceremonies and activities. Approved September 18, 1978.

PRESIDENT CARTER DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE OF VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST STATEMENT ON SIGNING H.J. RES. 1014 INTO LAW—SEPTEMBER 18, 1978

I have today signed House Joint Resolution 1014, designating April 28 and 29, 1979, as "Days of Remembrance of Victims of the Holocaust."

The systematic extermination of millions of human beings by the Nazis during World War II was the most terrible crime in all recorded history. In the words of the resolution, the Holocaust remains "not only a shocking symbol of Nazi brutality and destruction, but also a symbol of the danger inherent in tyranny, the pernicious quality of bigotry, and the human capacity to be cruel."

The resolution was passed unanimously by both Houses of Congress. This reflects our Nation's wholehearted conviction that the lessons of the Holocaust must never be forgotten.

Senator John Danforth of Missouri, whom I commend for having originated the resolution, chose April 28 and 29, because it was on these dates, in 1945, that American troops liberated the Dachau concentration camp. The dates chosen by Senator Danforth and embodied in this resolution thus aptly symbolize both the horror of genocide and the imperative to fight against it.

During the next few months, the President's Commission on the Holocaust will study ways in which this commemoration can best be observed, and I will issue an appropriate proclamation next spring. In the meanwhile, I wish to commend Senator Danforth, Representatives Wright, Rosenthal, Rhodes, and Vander Jagt and their colleagues, who joined in securing passage of H.J. Res. 1014.

COMMEMORATING THE 47TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FALL OF SAIGON

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, this week we will commemorate the 47th anniversary of the Fall of Saigon and we also remember the sacrifices that were made in the name of democracy.

After communist forces destroyed the Republic of Vietnam on Black April in 1975, thousands of families were forced to flee, and

many of them settled in Little Saigon in Orange County. In the nearly 5 decades since then, Orange County has transformed because of the resilience and hope of the Vietnamese community. I am proud to cosponsor a House Resolution in remembrance of the sacrifices of the brave Vietnamese people who were forced to flee their homeland and to commemorate the Fall of Saigon.

As we begin AAPI Heritage Month, I am also proud to introduce a House Resolution recognizing the accomplishments and contributions of over 2 million Vietnamese Americans. The United States is home to the largest number of individuals of Vietnamese descent outside of Vietnam, and I join in representing the largest Vietnamese communities in the nation in Orange County, California.

Today, Vietnamese Americans contribute to American society through their work in business, education, science and technology, engineering, mathematics, literature and the arts, gastronomy, the armed forces, and public service at every level of government.

Vietnamese Americans add to the rich cultural and religious diversity of our nation. As a member of the Congressional Vietnam Caucus, it is critical that we continue to represent and celebrate our Vietnamese families, friends, and neighbors, and recognize their significant contributions to American society.

Today, we remember the sacrifices that Vietnamese immigrants made, and we celebrate their contributions and achievements to our great Nation.

IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL
INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

HON. VERONICA ESCOBAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Ms. ESCOBAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate National Infertility Awareness Week to salute the parents, doctors, researchers, and others for the extraordinary progress made over the last four decades to help individuals have families who without this progress could not. National Infertility Awareness Week, founded in 1989 by RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association is the largest public awareness campaign that addresses the public health issue of infertility.

Most Americans are not aware that one in eight, or nearly 7.4 million Americans are impacted by the disease of Infertility. The disease affects both men and women and it knows no barriers—it affects individuals of all races, religious backgrounds, and economic statuses.

Since 1978, as a result of extraordinary medical advancements, millions of couples have been able to receive life-affirming treatments to become pregnant. While for most of us having a child is taken for granted it is a painful and devastating struggle for millions of couples throughout the world.

Research scientists have been making significant advancement of Infertility treatments including a procedure that allows young cancer patients to preserve their fertility prior to undergoing lifesaving chemotherapy treatments are incredible. Organizations like RESOLVE, the Military Family Building Coalition, the National Infertility Association, and the Alli-

ance for Fertility Preservation advocate for the millions of individuals and couples in this country who need help to have a family. Ms. Barb Collura, the CEO of RESOLVE, has testified before Congress in support of fertility services for the countless military veterans whose service-related injuries have rendered them infertile. There are also others such as Joyce Reinecke, Executive Director of Alliance for Fertility Preservation and cancer survivor, who has lent her voice on the importance of affordable fertility preservation options for individuals undergoing cancer treatment. As a matter of fact, in the absence of coverage, charitable organizations providing valuable, life-changing, financial assistance the option of having children after surviving cancer might not otherwise be available.

Congress can do more to remove many of the barriers that currently exist for those who experience infertility challenges but want to have a child. And I applaud my colleagues including Congresswoman WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Congresswoman BROWNLEY, Congresswoman DELAURO, Congresswoman STRICKLAND, and Congressman RICK LARSEN for introducing legislation devoted to eliminating obstacles to building families. I also salute the millions of infertility warriors throughout the country and the world, who advocate on behalf of that most precious of gifts, that of family.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF
LUKAS KOENIGER ON HIS OFFER
OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND
THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Mr. LATTA. Madam Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Lukas Koeniger of Waterville, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Lukas' offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2026. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Lukas brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2026. While attending Anthony Wayne High School in Whitehouse, Ohio, Lukas participated in marching band, cross country, and track and field, where he earned a varsity letter. After graduating from Anthony Wayne High School in 2021, Lukas attended the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Lukas Koeniger on his offer of appointment to the United States Air Force Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Lukas will excel during his career at the Air Force Academy, and I

ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present during Roll Call vote number 131. Had I been present, on Roll Call vote number 131, I would have voted YES.

IN RECOGNITION OF GARDNERS
CANDIES INCORPORATED

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Gardners Candies, a staple of the Central Pennsylvania community, on celebrating one hundred and twenty-five years of operation.

Founded in 1897 by James "Pike" Gardner in Tyrone, Pennsylvania, Gardners Candies began operations in a small store along with a wagon that allowed "Pike" to sell candy throughout the region.

For over a century, Gardners has produced gourmet chocolate including their famous, "Original Peanut Butter Meltaway."

In 2021, Benzel's Pretzels and Gardners Candies entered into an agreement to bring together these iconic brands in the production of Gardners' chocolate covered pretzels.

I'm proud of the family sustaining jobs created by the candy making companies in our community. From producing classic treats to creating quality jobs, Pennsylvania is known the world over for its candies and confectioners, and I am proud to have some of the world's finest right here in our community.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I congratulate Gardners Candies on this milestone and wish them every continued success.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION
TO SUPPORT THE DESIGNATION
OF MAY 7 AS BRAIN DONATION
AWARENESS DAY

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, today I am pleased to introduce a resolution to support designating May 7 as Brain Donation Awareness Day.

Today, brain disorder and diseases have a tremendous impact on individual patients and their families as well as the United States health care system. Approximately 100 million Americans are living with a brain disorder and an additional 1.2 million are diagnosed with adult-onset brain diseases or disorders every year. Brain diseases and disorders cost the